



One Hundred First Legislature - Second Session - 2010  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 836**

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**Chairperson:** Chris Langemeier  
**Committee:** Natural Resources  
**Date of Hearing:** January 27, 2010

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

In order to better protect the land, vehicles, and financial interests of Nebraskans LB 836 modifies current deer hunting provisions to further decrease the excessive and disruptive deer population in the state.

LB 836 contains provisions allowing for landowners and their immediate families to eliminate deer caught causing destruction to their property without the need for a permit. Further, the Game and Parks Commission is required to enact mandatory biennial depredation hunting seasons to further cull the population outside the bounds of the regularly scheduled hunting seasons.

A third section allows for night hunting with spotlights to be allowed so as to further expand the time that hunters may pursue the deer population.

Finally, in an effort to encourage more landowners to open their land for deer hunting a refundable tax credit of \$25 per deer taken on a landowner's property will be provided by the state beginning in the 2010 tax season.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Scott Lautenbaugh**